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TO : Assistant Director for Operations

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FROM : Acting Chief, FDD

SUBJECT: FDD Monthly Progress Report - January 1950

## 1. Implementation of Recently Proposed Plans

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## 2. Accomplishments

- a. Several reports were issued during the month dealing with Soviet development of an electrolytic grinding process which could replace to some measure the use of industrial diamonds. These reports were found to be of considerable value by ORE and OSI and could likewise be of great value to American industry. *Out*
- b. FDD railway studies being produced system by system for all of the USSR are now being used as a base by the Army Engineers for compilation of all available information on these railways.
- c. Procurement through non-routine sources. Seven hundred sixty five Russian, Polish, Yugoslavian, and Bulgarian publications have been received during the month through non-routine sources. These include some scientific publications not hitherto available to FDD.
- d. Great assistance in securing wider documentary coverage has been afforded FDD  The documents procured include some Hungarian publications of particular interest to intelligence. *25X1A*

## 3. Proposals for Improvement

- a. The Department of the Army has agreed to assist in collection of Soviet publications through EUCOM. *Should not be done*
- b. With the discontinuance of Press Extracts by Far Eastern Command, FDD has been called upon to perform this service. Arrangements are being made to supply FDD with a selected list *25X1A*

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